

Town of Erie Lock Box Program In Partnership with Mountain View Fire Rescue



The Lock Box Program...

- Provides Fire, Police and Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
 access to your residence in the event of an emergency where you
 are unable to open the door.
- A key to your residence, which you will provide, will be stored in a lock box, example pictured here, which will be secured to a fixed object on your property. The access code to the lock box is stored in a secure database linked to your address.
- This program is available to Erie residents that are 65 years of age or older and live alone, or live alone and have a major medical issue, or is a caregiver of an individual that has a major medical issue living in the residence FREE of CHARGE.
- A staff member from Mountain View Fire Rescue will demonstrate how the lock box works and will install it on your property.

For an application form or further information please contact the Erie Active Adults Coordinator (303) 926-2795 or email at chickman@erieco.gov.



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The Town of Erie Residential Lock Box Program in partnership with Mountain View Fire Rescue (MVFR) is designed to expedite access to qualified adults in their own homes during medical or other emergencies. The Lock Box Program also reduces the likelihood of property damage caused by first responders forcing entry into a home in response to an emergency call.

The program is open Free of Charge to Erie residents who:

- Are 65 years of age or older and live alone,
- Live alone and have a major medical issue,
- Or, is a caregiver of an individual that has a major medical issue living in the residence.

How Does the Program Work?

- 1. The eligible participant will complete a <u>Lock Box Program Application</u>. Applications can be picked up at the Erie Community Center, 450 Powers St.
- 2. Completed applications can be dropped off or mailed to the Erie Community Center, attention: Cindy Hickman, Active Adults Coordinator (450 Powers St, P.O. Box 1110, Erie, CO 80516) or emailed to chickman@erieco.gov.
- 3. Once the application is approved, MVFR will contact the eligible participant to set up a time for the lock box to be installed.
- 4. The participant will provide a spare house key that the MVFR will place inside the lock box and set the combination.
- 5. The MVFR will determine the best location for the lock box.
- 6. The lock box will only be used during an emergency call or wellness check, and when responders can't make entry without using force. At no other time will the lock box be used or will entry be made without authorization.
- 7. There is no cost to participate in the Lock Box Program, other than the cost of a spare key.
- 8. A participant may withdraw from the Lock Box Program at any time by contacting the Active Adults Coordinator at the Erie Community Center, 303-926-2795. After the key is returned to the participant, the empty lock box will be removed from the residence.